

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims:

1. - 36. (Cancelled)

37. (Currently Amended) A fluted filter media construction comprising:

- (a) a fluted sheet of filter media comprising a wave pattern of ridges and troughs;
- (b) a facing sheet of filter media adhered to the fluted sheet and wherein the fluted sheet and the facing sheet form a plurality of flutes extending there between;
- (c) sealant provided between the fluted sheet and the facing sheet;
- (d) the plurality of flutes extending between the fluted sheet and the facing sheet comprise a center indenting fold pattern [[regular fold arrangement]] sealing the plurality of flutes to the passage of unfiltered air, the center indenting fold pattern resulting from indenting each flute, to be closed, at or near an apex of each flute forming an indented flute portion and a pair of ridges comprising a first ridge and a second ridge, and folding at least one of the first ridge or the second ridge toward the facing sheet, the center indenting fold pattern comprising a flat first layer resulting from the indented flute portion secured to the facing sheet, and a second layer pressed against the flat first layer, the second layer comprising the at least one of the first ridge or the second ridge folded against the flat first layer [[regular fold arrangement comprising a first layer and a second layer, the first layer comprising an inverted ridge resulting from inverting the ridge of the fluted sheet, and the second layer comprising a remaining portion of the ridge of the fluted sheet folded against the first layer]].

38. (Cancelled).

39. A fluted filter media construction according to claim 37, wherein the plurality of flutes extend from a first face to a second face, and the fold arrangement is provided at one of the first face or the second face.

40. (Previously Presented) A fluted filter media construction according to claim 39, wherein the fluted sheet and the facing sheet are coiled into a coiled media structure.

41. (Currently Amended) A fluted filter media construction according to claim 40, wherein the coiled media structure comprises the plurality of flutes having a center indenting fold pattern [[regular fold arrangement]] sealing the plurality of flutes to the passage of unfiltered air, and a second plurality of flutes comprising a sealant for sealing the second plurality of flutes to the passage of unfiltered air.

42. (Previously Presented) A fluted filter media construction according to claim 37, wherein the fluted sheet of filter media comprises a regular, curved, wave pattern of flutes.

43. (Previously Presented) A fluted filter media construction according to claim 37, wherein the flutes have a flute/flat ratio within the range of 1.2 – 2.0, inclusive.

44. (Previously Presented) A fluted filter media construction according to claim 37, wherein:

- (a) the fluted sheet and the facing sheet are positioned in a filter to define a set of inlet flutes and a set of outlet flutes extending between an inlet face and an outlet face;
- (i) each inlet flute being closed to passage of unfiltered fluid there through, adjacent said outlet face; and
- (ii) each outlet flute being closed, to passage of unfiltered fluid therein, adjacent said inlet face.

45. (Previously Presented) A fluted filter media construction according to claim 44, wherein:

- (b) each inlet flute is closed, by the regular fold arrangement, adjacent the outlet face.

46. (Currently Amended) A fluted filter media construction according to claim 37, wherein the indented flute portion [[inverted ridge]] comprises a result of inverting the ridge of the flute [[fluted sheet]] at its apex.

47. (Currently Amended) A fluted filter media construction according to claim 37, wherein the center indenting fold pattern [[regular fold arrangement]] is provided as a result of a mid web-folding process.

48. (New) A fluted filter media construction according to claim 37, wherein the indented flute portion is adhered to the facing sheet by the sealant.